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REMARKS

Claim 16 is cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter therein. Claim 22 is indicated as allowed. Claims 1-21 and 23-27 are withdrawn. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance.

REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

For at least the reasons detailed above, Applicants respectfully submit that all of the claims in the application are patentable. Favorable consideration, entry of this amendment, and issuance of a notice of allowance are respectively requested.

In the event any issues remain, the Examiner is encouraged to contact Applicants' representatives to resolve such issues in an expeditious manner, and place the application in condition for allowance.

It is believed that no additional fees are necessary. However, in the event that any fees are necessary, the Director is hereby authorized to charge such fees or credit overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

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